

# Connecticut Emergency Management Association

Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, August 25, 2004  
OEM Headquarters Hartford, CT

Bruce Lockwood called the meeting of the Connecticut Emergency Management Association (CEMA) to order at 7:01 pm. 23 members were in attendance (see attached roster).

Minutes of the June 16, 2004 meeting were approved as read.

## **State OEM Liaison Report:**

State Director Kerry Flaherty reported on the preparedness plans for the upcoming RNC in New York. (see attached memorandum). If requests for assistance are made, it will be through the Gov. Office, to OEM, to local agencies. No Dept. or Agency is to take it upon themselves to go, they will be arrested by NYPD. There will be regular conference calls with New York as status updates. A rumor control hotline has been established for clarifications, plus you can call your areas Coordinators as well. The biggest concerns are with the protestors and 'civil disobedience' issues.

## **Unfinished Business:**

Area members at large tabled to next month.

## **New Business:**

The American Red Cross will be holding a Shelter course in Canton in November.

There remain several towns that have not completed their Threat Assessments. Some of the restrictions/penalties will be relieved if compliance is still achieved ASAP.

The new By-Law's were briefly discussed, in that, as they are new, should issues arise, we will address them as we go.

## **Committee's and Liaisons:**

501.c3 Committee: No report .To be meeting soon.

CEMA Website Committee: Website is in process.

Educational Committee: No report.

Infraguard Committee: No report.

Legislative Committee: Anyone with any ideas, concerns or issues, get them to the committee process.

Marketing Committee: Progress report letter was sent out. The issue of membership/ID cards was discussed.

Membership Committee: Application forms have been sent out, some returns have come in.

OEM Steering Committee on EOC Infrastructure Software: Various other State agencies are looking at this same issue. It is still in development.

Prevention Partnership Subcommittee School Web Portal Committee: Website still not up. Hopefully soon. Work continues with the school safety ready program.

Homeland Security/Emergency Management Coordinating Council: This replaces the Strategy Group – State Domestic Steering Committee. They are just in the development stages. They are going to be working on Accreditation process for State OEM. Their next mtg. is Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>, 0900 in Rocky Hill.

The meeting concluded at 9:00PM

The next CEMA meeting will be 7:00pm, Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>, location TBD, trying for Cromwell area.

Upon conclusion of the meeting, Tom Gavaghan of State OEM and Rob DiBella gave a tour of the State EOC and its operations.

Respectfully Submitted:

Bob Ziegler  
Secretary